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In re Application of

Willard, et al.

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Application No. 10/073,717

: DECISION ON PETITION

Filed: February 11, 2002

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed February 7, 2007, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-cited application became abandoned for failure to file a proper reply in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed June 16, 2005, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months from its mailing date. A response was filed on December 16, 2005, with a request for an extension of time within the third month. The response failed to place the application in condition for allowance. The application became abandoned on December 17, 2006. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on February 2, 2007.

The Request for Continued Examination filed February 7, 2007, is noted and made of record.

The application is being forwarded to Technology Center 1700, GAU 1743 for further processing.

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